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ABSTRACT

A computer-assisted method of tracking a balance amount associated with a prepaid card for purchasing digital music is disclosed. The disclosed method includes,

5 via a processor, populating a database with a unique identifier associated with a prepaid card for purchasing digital music. The disclosed method further includes, upon a sale of said prepaid card, associating an initial amount and a personal identifier with the unique identifier in the database, upon receiving a card verification request, verifying said unique identifier, upon receiving a personal

10 verification request, verifying said personal identifier, upon receiving a balance verification request, verifying a balance amount of said prepaid card, and upon receiving transaction information regarding a transaction involving said prepaid card, adjusting said initial amount by a transaction amount corresponding to said transaction to create said balance amount.

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